

IN THE CLAIMS:

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p1* (Currently Amended): A barricade system for an airport taxiway comprising:

(A) supports which are positionable in a spaced-apart fashion across a the airport taxiway path to be closed and which comprise stanchions and bases which hold the stanchions; and

(B) a lightable rope which is fastenable to the supports to close the path airport taxisway to vehicular traffic and which is energizable by a single electrical power source.

2. (Original) A barricade system of claim 1, wherein the electrical power source comprises a generator.

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cont.* 3. (Original) A barricade system of claim 1, wherein the electrical power source comprises an electrical outlet.

4. (Currently Amended) A barricade system of claim 1, wherein the barricade system further comprises:

a trailer; and  
a reel which is carried by the trailer and on which the lightable rope can be  
retained, wherein, when the system is in use, the lightable rope includes a first end which  
is attached to one of the supports and a second end which is supported by the reel.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended): A barricade system of claim § 1, wherein the stanchions are removable from the bases.

7. (Currently Amended): A barricade system of claim § 1, wherein the stanchions further comprise clips in which the lightable rope is selectively held.

8. (Original) A barricade system of claim 1, further comprising a controller which regulates illumination of the lightable rope.

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9. (Original) A barricade system of claim 8, wherein the controller regulates a frequency of the illumination of the lightable rope.

10. (Original) A barricade system of claim 8, wherein the controller regulates a duration of the illumination of the lightable rope.

11. (Original) A barricade system of claim 1, further comprising a trailer which carries the supports and the lightable rope when the barricade system is not in use.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A barricade system for an airport taxiway comprising:

(A) supports which are positioned in a spaced-apart fashion across an the airport taxiway; and

(B) a lightable rope which is fastened to the supports to close the airport taxiway to vehicular traffic and which is energized by a single electrical power source, wherein the supports and the lightable rope are sufficiently frangible to permit their use on the airport taxiway.

14. (Currently Amended) A barricade system for an airport taxiway comprising:

(A) a trailer;

(B) supports which are carried on the trailer when the system is not in use and which, when in use, are positioned in a spaced-apart fashion on a path the airport taxiway to be closed; and

(C) a lightable rope which is carried on the trailer when the system is not in use and which, when in use, is fastened to the supports to close the path airport taxiway to vehicular traffic; and

(D) a portable generator which is supported on the trailer and which supplies electrical power to the lightable rope when the system is in use; and

(E) a reel which is carried by the trailer, wherein, when the system is in use, the lightable rope includes a first end which is attached to one of the supports and a second end which is supported by the reel.

(15) (Currently Amended) A system for closing an airport taxiway ~~path~~ to vehicular traffic comprising:

- (A) stanchions and bases which hold the stanchions, both of which are positioned in a spaced-apart fashion across the ~~path~~airport taxiway; and
- (B) a single illuminatable barricade which is fastened to all of the stanchions to close the ~~path~~airport taxiway to prevent vehicular traffic and is energized by an electric power source.

(16) (Currently Amended) A system for closing a ~~path~~ an airport taxiway to vehicular traffic comprising:

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- (A) a moveable platform;
- (B) stanchions which are carried on the moveable platform when the system is not in use and which, when in use, are positioned in a spaced-apart fashion on the ~~path~~airport taxiway;
- (C) an illuminatable barricade which is carried on the moveable platform when the system is not in use and which, when in use, is fastened to all of the stanchions to close the ~~path~~airport taxiway to vehicular traffic;
- (D) an electric power source which is carried on the moveable platform and which powers the illuminatable barricade; and
- (E) a controller which regulates the electric power source; and
- (F) signage carried by at least one stanchion.

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(Currently Amended): A method of closing a path an airport taxiway comprising:

(A) positioning bases supports across the path airport taxiway in a spaced-apart fashion;

(B) attaching stanchions to the bases;

(B C) fastening a lightable rope to the supports stanchions to close the path airport taxiway to vehicular traffic; and

(C D) energizing the lightable rope with a single electrical power source.

18. (Original) A method of claim 17, further comprising regulating the supply of electrical power to the lightable rope from the power source.

19. (Original) A method of claim 18, wherein the frequency of the illumination of the lightable rope is regulated.

20. (Original) A method of claim 18, wherein the duration of the illumination of the lightable rope is regulated.

21. (Currently Amended): A method of claim 17, further comprising:

(A) de-energizing the lightable rope;

(B) removing the lightable rope from the supports stanchions; and

(C) removing the supports stanchions and the bases from the path~~airport~~  
taxiway.

22. (Original) A method of claim 21, further comprising winding the lightable rope onto a reel.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) A method of closing an airport taxiway comprising:

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- (A) positioning supports across the airport taxiway in a spaced-apart fashion;
- (B) fastening a lightable rope carried on a reel to the supports to close the airport taxiway to vehicular traffic; and
- (C) electronically coupling the lightable rope to the reel; and
- (D) lighting the lightable rope with a single electrical power source.

25. (Currently Amended) A method of closing an airport taxiway ~~path~~ comprising:

- (A) transporting a barricade system to the ~~path~~ airport taxiway to be closed, the barricade system including:
  - (1) a trailer;
  - (2) supports which are carried on the trailer; and
  - (3) a lightable rope which is wound onto a reel on the trailer;

(B) removing the supports from the trailer;

(C) positioning the trailer in a position spaced from the airport taxiway;

(E) positioning the supports across the ~~path~~ airport taxiway in a spaced-apart fashion;

(D) unwinding the lightable rope from the reel; then

(E) fastening the lightable rope to the supports to close the ~~path~~ airport taxiway to vehicular traffic; and then

(F) lighting the lightable rope with a generator mounted on the trailer when the trailer is spaced from the airport taxiway.

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26. (Original) A method of claim 25, further comprising regulating the supply of electrical power to the lightable rope from the generator.

27. (Original) A method of claim 26, wherein the frequency of the illumination of the lightable rope is regulated.

28. (Original) A method of claim 26, wherein the duration of the illumination of the lightable rope is regulated.

29. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 25, wherein, during step (G), the trailer  
is further comprising, between steps (A) and (B), transporting the trailer to a position  
located laterally adjacent the pathairport taxiway.

30. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 25, further comprising:

- (A) de-energizing the lightable rope;
- (B) removing the lightable rope from the supports;
- (D) removing the supports from the pathairport taxiway; and
- (E) stowing the supports and the lightable rope on the trailer.

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31. (New) A system of claim 16, wherein the signage is permanently mounted to the stanchion.

32. (New) A barricade system of claim 4, wherein the lightable rope is electrically coupled to the reel when the system is in use.

33. (New) A barricade system of claim 14, wherein the lightable rope is electrically coupled to the reel when the system is in use.